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CROSSLINKED POLYETHYLENE PIPE HAVING A HIGH DENSITY

POLYETHYLENE LINER

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AMENDMENT AND THREE MONTHS EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed on September 8, 2005 regarding the above-identified patent application. Also, a request for a three months extension of time is enclosed, together with the required fee of \$1,020.

The amended claims are shown below.